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A. M. E. CONFERENCE

FOR 1900 PASSES INTO HISTORY--CRITICISMS OPEN AND OUT

THE ALL ABSORBING QUESTION

Now Settled--After the Usual Round of Disappointments and Congratulations the Opponents Have Settled Themselves to Work.

The General Conference of the A. M. E. Church for 1900 has passed into history. Prophets, (?) and beings (of falsehood) waited long but died without seeing something that they earnestly desired.

The bishop question was the all absorbing topic from the time that the delegates set feet on soil till the time when the newly elected bishops were being carted all over the convention hall upon the shoulders of enthusiastic admirers. Dr. Evans Tyree, of whom a certain critic declared there was nothing save his big vest and whom some others more charitable said he might come in on the tail of the ticket, led the procession and had votes "to burn." Every slate was broken but mine, I mean ours. This may sound like egotism. Well, so let it be.

Dr. Coppin's election was a surprise to all. Not that he was not the peer and even the superior of some of the candidates but from the beginning the odds seemed to be against him.

If anybody thinks that Bishop Grant is not the equal of Mark Hanna, such an one is vastly mistaken. My prophecy was that Tyree, Moore and Shafler would be elected on the first ballot, that Preston would be the strongest man from the West; that either Townsend or Choppin would be the fourth man. Dr. Townsend, like Bishop Tyree, seems to disdain political trickery to attain to the bishopric. If he were to go into politics, few men would excel him. He is a success at anything which he sets his head to accomplish. His training was after the manner of the fathers of the church,--"let the church seek the man," and Townsend is right. I predict that after the present quadrenium has closed, the church will have aroused to its senses and seek the next bishops. Self-seeking ambitious men will be quietly given a back seat. Dr. Townsend will be one of the next bishops elected.

If mistakes were in the selection of officers at Columbus it is but a forceful reminder that man is fallable. There is no doubt that some blunders were made in the selection of general officers. These miscarriages will manifest themselves before the quadrennium is half ended. It is a sad fact that in some cases, fitness was lost sight of, and the man who could poll the most votes and promise the most in return was the successful candidate. Some of the strongest men of the general Conference hailed from Georgia. In fact Georgia alone could have furnished the five bishops and the nine general officers. But Georgia's strength proved to be her weakness. There are two many strong men in that state-each of whom is aspiring for the leadership and each one swearing, "If I can't you sha'nt." Defeat is bitter; but each defeated Georgia candidate consoled himself with the reflection that the other fellow got left too.

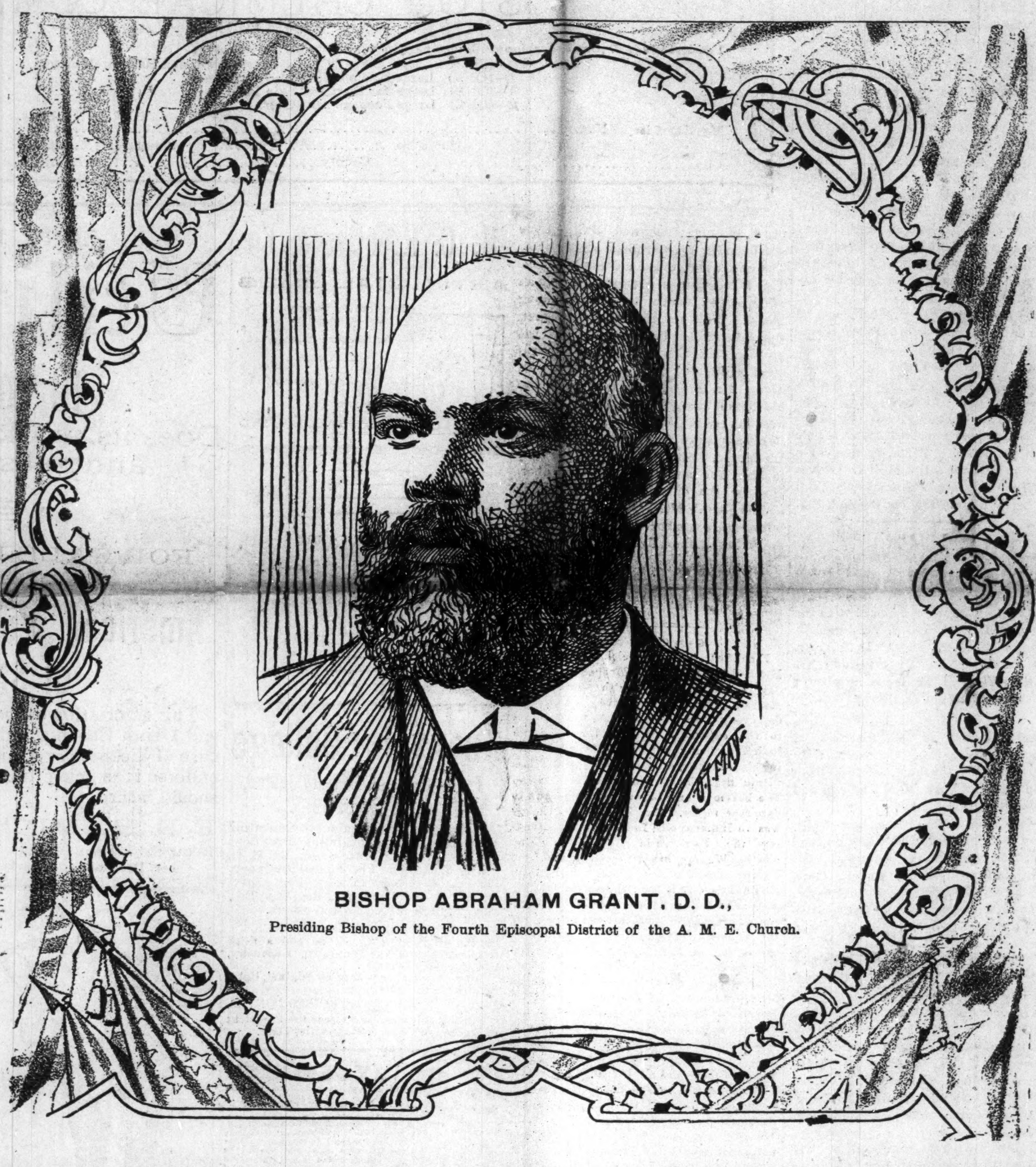
The thing that is always true in every great convention was conspicuously manifest of the general conference; that is, the men of culture and brains allowed the ranters to furnish the music and do the dancing too while they sat quietly by and enjoyed the sport. Tyree, Coppin, Moore nor Shaffer were never heard on the floor unless called upon. But when the time for the selection of men came to guide the old ship, these were the men placed at the pilot wheel. There are some men who go to the general conference determined to do something and will do it, even if it is a foolish thing. Just so their names appear in the minutes they are satisfied. Strange, too, to hear a bishop say, "I recognize Bro. A. because I heard him first" when he knows that Bro. A is the only man that can be heard, because it happens by a freak of nature that Bro. A has a pair of bellows as a substitute for lungs.

Dr. T. H. Jackson is the best debator in the general conference; in fact if he has a peer as an all round man it is not yet manifest. While he has sufficient lung power to be heard above the din and the roar of the average howlers, he never makes the mistake of substituting noise for brains. I had the misfortune of having my seat immediately behind the "noisy South Carolinas." Bro. Coit is about the brainiest man of that delegation, but he is not so recognized by them. Alabama is undergoing the same experience that Georgia is, with respect to leadership. Dr. W. H. Mixen has been a recognized leader down there for some time, but by some hook or crook he failed to head his delegation this time and it seems that the stars of the Edmondson Brothers are in the ascendancy. This has produced a kind of factional jealousy. Had Mixon succeeded in leading his delegation, he would probably be the secretary of the Church Extension to-day. But with an internal war both in Georgia and Alabama an open field was left to Dr. Watson, the original founder of that department. Dr. J. A. Davis beat himself in the race for the S. S. Union by withdrawing from the contest. He made the mistake of consulting his enemies instead of his friends. Of course the enemy will always advise to the contrary.

True to her tactics, Georgia deserted Dr. Downs, from that State; the friends of Dr Hurley, swung round to Dr. Davis as soon as Hurly withdrew. Davis became nervous lost his head and instead of calling a council of war he ran up the white flag and the weakest man in the field walked in with bands playing. It is a great pity that the gentleman who succeeds Dr. C. S. Smith was not more familiar with the methods employed by the former manager of the Union. Why? Because more will be expected of him than was expected of Dr. Smith during the last quadrennium. Designing men are apt to attempt to take advantage of the present incumbent. The proper thing was done when Kealing and Hawkins were re-elected. Hawkins was given a task four years ago and his hands were tied immediately and for four years he has been cursed because he failed to work thus manacled. Hawkins is brainy and will now do good work. Dr. H. T. Johnson did not like what I said about him a few months ago but I meant no harm. I said then and I say now let Johnson drive the quill for us another four years and I will vote for him for bishop (D. V.) He will also have a better opportunity to give us another book this quadrennium, for Dr. Johnson is an author of no mean type.

In my next letter I will speak of the entertainment feature of the General Conference.

J. A. JONES, Chattanooga, Tenn,



BISHOP ABRAHAM GRANT, D. D.,
Presiding Bishop of the Fourth Episcopal District of the A. M. E. Church.

BISHOP GRANT'S FIRST OFFICAL VISIT AND APPOINTMENTS:

Sunday, June 17—Detroit, Mich., 10:30 a. m. Bethel Church; 7:30 p. m. Ebenezer Church.
Wednesday, June 20—Ysilanti, Mich. District Conference and Sunday School Convention.
Friday, June 22—Kalamazoo, Mich.
Sunday, June 24—Richmond, Ind.
Monday, June 25—Indianapolis, Ind.
Tuesday, June 26—Bethel Church.
Wednesday, June 27—Allen Chapel.
Friday, June 29-July 2—Terre Haute, Ind. District Conference and Sunday School Convention.
Monday, July 2—Chicago, Ill.
Thursday, July 5—Evanston, Ill.
Friday, July 6—St. Stephen Church.
Sunday, July 8—10:45 Quinn Chapel; 7:30 p. m. Bethel Church.
Tuesday, July 10—St. John, Chicago
Thursday, July 12-13—Decatur, Ill. Presiding Elders' Council.
Sunday, July 15—
Tuesday, July 17—Keokuk, Ia.
Wednesday, July 19—Peoria, Ill.
Friday, July 20—Indianapolis, Ind., Official headquarters.
Sunday, July 22—10:45 a. m. Allen Chapel; 7:45 p. m. Bethel Church.
Friday, July 27-30—Vincennes, Ind. Camp-meeting and Temperance Assembly.

Dr. Henderson's Letter of Thanks.

I desire to thank The Freeman in this public way, for its loyal support of my candidacy for the Bishopric before and during the late meeting of the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and to say that if I was not elected it is surely no fault of this great race organ. The grand old Freeman will ever have a warm spot in my heart and if it were in my power I would have every race loving man and woman in the whole country to become subscribers to and readers thereof. I know it is customary for candidates who have failed of election to try to tell their friends why they were not elected, but this I shall not attempt to do. I have only to say that I have learned several lessons in the last few weeks that will be of great value to me in all my future life. Among them is one I shall certainly profit by and that is that there are yet left in this world of ours, honest men that, in spite of all offers to the contrary will stick to their promises. The West presented about ten men for different offices including four pronounced candidates for bishop and, as might have been expected the bishops were elected from other sections. However, had the second ballot been taken I have no doubt the result would have been different. I had no desire in the world to return to the office of business manager and hence made no effort for re-election. I now have the place I have earnestly prayed for, for at least twenty years, the pastorate of Bethel church, Philadelphia, by long odds the most historic church of the race. I have been most kindly received by officers and members and now look forward to four busy yet happy years of service and in 1904 will go to the General Conference better prepared in everyway for the bishopric. I shall not pout or find fault, but shall work and pray and God will see to it that I attain to whatever place He designs me to fill, whether it be bishop or pastor. With your permission Mr. Editor it will give me pleasure if once in a while you will allow me through your columns, to talk to your many readers and give them some accounts of the doings of our people in this section of the country. In the meantime permit me to request my friends, who desire to communicate with me, to address their letters to No. 1511 Butler st., Philadelphia. With best wishes for the Freeman, its editor and all its force I am faithfully your servant,

T. W. Henderson,
1511 Butler st., Philadelphia, Pa.

THE BOYS IN BLUE

NOW LOCATED IN THE PHILLIPINES--SICKNESS PREVAILS

CAPTURED BY THE INSURGENTS

A General Review of the Life of the Soldiers on the Island--Quiet Now Reigns, But Hostilities Expected to be Renewed Soon.

Castillajos, P. I., April 13th.—Things are about as quist as could be expected here. We are still occupying Castillajos. Nothing of importance has occurred. Our telegraph line continues a success and it is now complete to Manilla. We are having lots of sickness among our troops, mostly chills and fever. One example of how dispondent this state of affairs renders our boys is Corporal Rufus Scott of Co. "K." 25th Inft. on the 1st. of March. He had been feeling very badly for some time and on this day, worse than usual. A detachment of Co. K. went to Subig, 5 miles, to draw rations. While there Corporal Scott decided that he could get better treatment in Manilla so he stayed behind when the detatchment left. Taking a native Casco or Canoe he started alone for Balanga, enroute to Manilla, there being no boat at Subig. While on the way out about 20 miles from Subig he was attacked by natives in boats and after firing three times his boat overturned resulting in his capture. The natives carried him ashore a prisoner and took him near Balanga, a city of considerable size, 40 miles from Manilla on Manilla bay. After a day or two they began to trust him almost alone. Taking advantage of this carelessness on the part of his captors he one day made his escape arriving within our lines on the 18th of March, where some of the boys of our company saw and talked with him. He was received by Co. E. of the 32nd Vol. regiment, not much the worse for the adventure, Our medical treatment is not just what it should be. We are out in the hills and it is very inconvenient for sick men, yet we have lost very few considering what we have to undergo. A scouting party from Co. K. went into the hills acting on information received by officers, from natives where there was supposed to be a company of insurgents. They arrived there only to find 15 men on an outpost, the main body having just left, Our party was rewarded by recapturing an American who had been held prisoner by the insurgents, and 6 rifles. Our Colonel visited all the companies a few days ago. The 25th Inft., 8 companies, is now garrisoning ten towns. We are scattered all the way from Subig to Santa Cruz. This leaves very small detatchments in some towns, our rations being forwarded from one town to another. Our duty is hard but it is done cheerfully. We all look forward with dread to the swift coming rainy season, which means mud and mosquitoes. Well we are fully acquainted with these posts, the natives for the most part having ceased fighting until they gather their crops. When this is completed out on the war path they come in all of their blue paint, then instead of the peace and quiet which now reigns it will be much combat.

T. H. WISEMAN,
Co. K. 25th Inft.

Gem City Notes.

Frankfort, Ind., Special.—Dr. Brown, o Indianapolis, was the guest of Miss Carrie Harper, last Sunday. Messrs. Fields, Biggs and Lilliard, of Lafayette, passed through the city Wednesday, enroute to Marion. Mrs. W. M. Weaver attended the carnival at Marion last week. A lawn social was given at the home of Mrs. Joseph Parker last Tuesday evening. An enjoyable evening was spent. Bert Cummings went to Marion last week with the Frankfort Elks, Mr. Weaver was in Cincinnati last week. Now is the time to subscribe for The Freeman—Forrest Mitchell is the agent in this city. Frankfort is soon to have light. J. J. Wilson was in the city last week. James Reeves, accompanied by F. Wier, visited his sister, Mrs. David Mitchell, last week. Elroy Cummings and Richard Harper gave a musical entertainment, Thursday evening of last week, at the residence of Jno. Shanklin. Mrs. David Mitchell's sister, Mrs. Frank Barber has been very ill at Lafayette. A choir has been organized by the young people to sing at Sunday services. Last Frieday evening at the home of Mrs. Theodore Valentine was held a suprise party in honor of her forty-third birthday. An enjoyable evening was spent. Light refreshments were served. Elder Saunders was in the city Sunday, the 10th, to attend the rally of the A. M. E. church. Homer Parker and Richard Harper were in Kokomo last Sunday. Messrs. Scott and Seaton were in the Gem City, Sunday; they reside in Lebanon, Ind.

MAJOR'S MELANGE.

Aguinalda has been shot. If he had been a Negro in the United States he would have been roped, tarred and burnt to ashes long ago.

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Ben Tillman is beginning to see things in a better light with that one eye.

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Negro bishops, a civilizing theme, but money talks so they say.—Well we hope the clergy ambition will find a happy mean and set forever at rest the law of inertia.

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Bryan may withdraw at Kansas City patristically demonstrate the character of a coward that is afraid to come before the people after the great Democratic shout, and peradventure place his "Cross of Gold" on the gray-haired "brow" of Admiral Dewey.

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Negroes, if you are true to your race send to Little Rock, and purchase the "New Negro Chart," address John K Rector, Little Rock, Ark. Price $1.00. The race should also add to their libraries as many books written by Negroes as their means will allow, this is one of the solutions of the much talked of Negro problem.

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In raising children it often turns out that the husband and wife differ in the proper correction of the little ones. We suggest the following: Study the character and disposition of the child; never be too quick to resort to corporal punishment. If patience ceases to be a virtue and the child needs the strap, I say lay on Mac Duff, for if you don't there'll be trouble some day that reflection on undischarged duties cannot cure. The wife and husband should agree as to the methods and neither should ever interfere with the other if the strapping must come off. Now this is one of the methods of character building.

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Hon. Augustus M. Hodges perhaps has found that widow of means for his friend.

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The A. M. E. Church is on the up grade. The M. E. Church is already at the top, if she had a couple of Negro bishops to enforce its strict discipline in the South there would be more religious preachers to refuse chicken pot-pie, and less pretty women for whom to jump over the pulpit.

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Say, R. C. O. Benjamin sends us that Lexington Standard. You are gaining fast and deep in the pages of history.

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Is the Negro buying less guns than red-wheeled rubber tired buggies? More red neckties than cartridges? Is the Negro laughing or thinking? These are a few questions that will give inspiration to the 19th of June orator. Incidentally he might say something on the subject of morals and create a standard for his community, provided he does not make himself a target.

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Say bud, do you know yourself? Did you ever get off alone and look at yourself and ask yourself questions? If you have, that is one degree of development, above the chimpanzee, and if you resort to this trick often there is statesmanship in you, and it may be you will set the woods on fire by something you may do or say for humanity. If you are living only to make your pretty self look nice and pleasing, you are on the wrong road to greatness. If the elements of a personality are there you can not escape being a potent factor. To all such the poet has penned "There is a destiny that shapes our end rough hew it as we may."

M. A. MAJORS, M. D., Waco, Texas.

News from the "Windy City."

Chicago, Ills., Special.—Golden Gate lodge No. 43, A. F. and A. Masons will have their annual sermon preached at Herman Baptist church, Sunday, June 24, at 3 p. m., by Rev. J. H. Green. The Dorcus Sewing circle was royally entertained last Monday evening by Mr. Geo. Ducker at his cozy residence, 20 Cedar street. Mrs. B. Guest is president and Miss Emma Williams secretary Mr. N. W. Miller has been elected delegate to the B. M. C. which convenes in Louisville, Ky., Oct. 2nd. Mr. W. D. Lillard has been elected delegate to the D. G. L. which meets in Quincy, Ill., Aug. 7th. Mr. Edwood Shanklin has gone to Milwaukee, Wis., to work. Mrs. Joseph Ruffin of Boston, Mass., related to a large audience at Quinn's Chapel last Sunday night, her experiences with the General Federation of Woman's Clubs at Milwaukee last week. She told her story in a plain, deliberate manner, and received the best attention. She was liberally applauded whenever she made a good point. The meeting was held under the auspices of the South Side Men's Sunday Club, and the speaker was introduced by Mr. A. H. Roberts in an eloquent address. The rostrum was occupied by a number of prominent colored women, among them being Mesdames L. A. Davis, G. C. Hall, John Shaw, Carrie Golden, Fannie B. Williams, R. E. Moore, Misses Anna Jones and Blanche Shaw.

Mrs. Ruffin spoke of the formation of the New Era Club of Boston, of which she is president. Of its application for admission as a member of the general federation, although it is a member by reason of its being a member of the Massachusetts federation, and related in detail the contents of the various communications she received from the officials of the general federation. "When I arrived in Milwaukee," said Mrs. Ruffin, "and before I had been in the hotel ten minutes, a woman came to my room, and said: "I have come to have a talk with you. We are told that you came here as the representative of two white clubs, and I have come to ask you to refrain from representing a colored club. The woman will pay you every respect. You can represent Massachusetts, but you must not represent a colored club, or the women of Kentucky will withdraw from the federation." "I told her I had not come to represent Massachusetts, but my own club, That I had never yet sold or mortgaged my principles, and requested her to go back to her Southern women and say to them that they had not money enough to get me to betray my principles, or to insult my colored club."

Subscribe for The Freeman and be up-to-date. Single copy 5 cents, on sale at 135 North Clark street Johnnie Crump was arrested and fined $25.00 and cost last Monday for striking a white boy. Mrs. Florence Palmer has removed to 171 Wells street. Mr. Fred Lee, who has been in the hospital, is able to be out again. When in need of a shave or hair cut call on G. G. Groves 65 Windell street. Mrs. Daisy Wall and M. Williams are on the sick list.

THE CHURCH

At the annual commencement of Morris Brown College the following named ministers were honored with the title of D. D.: Rev. A. A. Whitman, D. D., and Rev. L. H. Smith D. D., Rev. C. C. Cargile, D. D. Dr. Whitman has had the title of M. D. for a number of years but was not D. D. until now.

The following is the districts of Bishops in the A. M. E Connection:

First District—Bishop Derrick, Philadelphia, New York, New England and New Jersey conferences.

Second District—Bishop Lee, Baltimore, Virginia, North Carolina and West North Carolina conferences.

Third District—Bishop Arnett, Ohio, Pittsburg and North Ohio conferences.

Fourth District—Bishop Grant, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and Michigan conferences.

Fifth District—Bishop Shaffer, Missouri, Kansas, North Missouri, Colorado and Puget Sound conferences.

Sixth District—Bishop Turner, Georgia, North Georgia, Macon, Ga., Southwest Georgia and Atlanta conferences.

Seventh District—Bishop Gaines, South Carolina, Columbia, Northeast South Carolina and Central Alabama, Alabama and North Alabama conferences.

Eighth District—Bishop Tyree, Arkansas, West Arkansas, East Arkansas, South Arkansas, Mississippi Central Mississippi, North Mississippi, Northeast Mississippi conferences

Ninth District—Bishop Tanner, Tennessee, West Tennessee, Kentucky, West Kentucky, Louisiana, North Louisiana conferences.

Tenth District—Bishop Salter, Texas, West Texas, Northeast Texas, Central Texas, California, Indian Territory and Oklahoma conferences.

Eleventh District—Bishop Handy, Florida, East Florida, South Florida Central Florida conferences and Bahama Islands.

Twelfth District—Bishop Smith, Ontario, Nova Scotia, Brunswick, Bermuda, West Indies, Cuba, Porto Rico, South America, Hawaii and the Philippines.

Thirteenth District—Bishop Moore, West coast of Africa, including Sierra Leone, Liberia, Gold Coast and Gambia.

Fourteenth District—Bishop Coppin, South African, Transvaal and South Africa conferences.

Notable Events.

Plaquemine, La., Special.—The small pox here has been raging but we are glad to say that the Yellow flags are getting scarce. Mrs. Mary Washington, of New Orleans was a guest of Mrs. O. Clark. The Western Mutual Aid Industrial Association is a new Negro enterprise at this place and White Castle and deserves the patronage of the race. The head quarters is in New Orleans. The laboring men of this place have an organization which is getting along nicely. We are blessed with seven Baptist churches two methodist and the prospects for two more. The government is working quite a number of men here. Mr. E. D. Dennis has returned to his home again. Look for a concert over the river. Mr. Walter Ennis will be absent for a few months teaching. Dr. M. M. Joshua is out of the city looking for another field of labor. He is the only colored physician at this place. Mr. W. S. Goodwin has left to make his home in Chicago. H. A. Pickett make a flying trip to Baton Rouge.

We want an agent in every city and town not already occupied. Write us.

Gem City Notes.

Frankfort, Ind., Special.—Mrs. David Mitchell and Miss Carrie Harper spent Sunday in Michigantown, with Mrs. John Morgan. The Busy Bees gave a social Monday evening light refreshments were served to the enjoyable crowd. Miss Blanche Radcliffe, being a member of the graduating class of 1899, attended the annual class picnic near Thorntown last week. Read The Freeman and be advised on all up to date race topics. The Hon. J. D. Kersey was in Indianapolis, Ind., last week attending the Democratic Convention. Mrs. Martha Weaver has returned home from Thorntown. Miss Dora Evans a well known lady of this city is soon to be wedded. We wish her a happy future. Mrs. J. H. Johnson was in Marion, Ind., last week attending the Woman's Foreign Mission. Mrs. Johnson is one of the leading workers. Mrs. Henry Chalious, of Bloomingdale, Ind.' after spending a few weeks with her cousin, Mrs. Frank Linsey has returned to her home. Mrs. Alva Fanning has purchased a fine dinning room suit. Mrs. Chalious was in Kokomo, Ind., last week. Don't forget to read The Freeman. Last Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rule of Thorntown, Ind., was held a dinner party in honor of their 25th wedding anniversay. Among those out of town were Mrs. W. M. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Rule were the participants of Many presents. Mrs. J. D. Kersey, Mrs. Frank Linsey and Mrs. David Mitchell spent Sunday in Toledo, Ohio. Miss Moxley, of Middleton, O., was the guest of Mrs. Charles Emory last week; her home is in Chicago. Miss Jeanette Parker was elected delegate to the A. M. E. Sunday School convention at Nobleville, Ind. Mr. Edward Harper is home to spend the summer with his parents. He is a student of Wabash College. Sunday was Children's Day at the A. M. E. Sunday school a splendid program was given. Fanning is favored in the betting circle of the city sports. Mr. E. Harper has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Morgon at Michigantown, Ind.

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To The Colored People of America:

RECOGNIZING THE FACT that there are many so-called hair growers and straighteners now being offered on the market, and knowing to a certainty that most of these are frauds pure and simple. We wish to make a straight-forward statement to the colored people of Amei through its best paper, THE INDIANAPOLIS FREEMAN.

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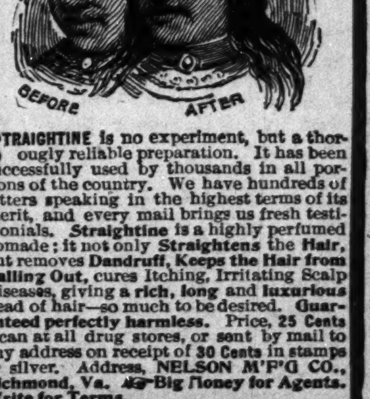

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Miss Melissa Jones of Chicago, graduate from the South Side High School, June 22. She carried with her a certificate of scholarship.

During the last year patents have been awarded to the following colored women Miss Mary L. Benjamin, Boston, gong and signal chair for hotels; Sarah Good, Chicago, cabinet bed; Julia Terry, Lebanon, Ill., apparatus for holding skeins; Lydia Newman, New York, combination brush; Judy W. Reed, Washington, D. C., dough kneader and roller.

Six young colored girls were recently received into the Order of the Holy Family (Catholic) at New Orleans, and had conferred upon them the white veil of the order. The black veil was bestowed upon Sister Mary Alexis, Miss Amelia Eaglan, of Grand Coteau, La., and Sister Mary Sebastin, Miss Christine Victor, of Galveston, Tex.

News Items.

De Soto, Mo., Special.—On Saturday night June 9, the Masons held their annual election for officers. Next Monday the colored teachers of Southeast Missouri will meet at De Soto in the new brick building for institute work, with J. C. Staten as conductor and demonstrator of higher, mathematics Rev. W. H. H. Brown the worthy pastor of the M. E. church is a constant reader of The Freeman. He is one of the best informed men in the clergy here, and the industrious example he sets for his people, shows that he is touching the right string. Habits of industry, and economy can not be to strongly impressed.

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Clarksville Gossip.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.—Bishop E. Cottrell of Hot Springs, Ark., delivered an interesting lecture at Wesley's Chapel Monday evening, June 10th, on the "Negro Problem." The Bishop returned to the city from the district conference, and was a welcome visitor here. Miss Bruetta Metcalf; has closed her school and is in the city talking a vacation. Miss Birdie Stanfield left June 9th for Louisville, Ky. Mr. Henry Dix left June 9th for Chicago, to locate in business. The commencement exercises of the public school took place at Elder's opera house June 1st. The following were the graduates: Misses Lucy Allen, Lillian Dix, Georgie Dixon, Elnora Gossett. Luella Hutchins, Daisy Meriwether, Janie Metcalf, Ruby Rice, Daisy Roberts and Messrs. Vivan Dabney and Lawrence Ferguson. The selections rendered were up-to-date. A large crowd was in attendance. Owing to rain the Francis Rhoda College was compelled to postpone their exercises until June 8th, changing the date from the 5th. The following were the graduates: Misses Magdalen Cavaway, Orah Cross, Janie Sims and Mollie Sims. An elegant program was prepared, which was fully carried out. Prof. Townsend and Leftwich were heartily congratulated upon their season's work. The former conducts the musical department while the latter attends to the school work. They will soon take a furlough and return to re-open their school, Monday, Sept. 3rd. Cruse Coleman died after a brief illness, June 9th.

SPORTING NOTES.

W. L. Johnson, the former manager of the Queen City Grays of Clarksville, Tenn., wishes to state through the columns of The Freeman, that he is no longer connected with the base ball fraternity, in answer to numerous challenges and players seeking situations. His business will not permit him to handle the team in 1900, but he wishes good luck to all teams and players whom he met and defeated in '99 and others. He sends regards to E. G. Watson, Bud Fowler, Ben Boyd, "Frenchy" Jackson and George Whitted. Would like to hear from them and all professionals.

Baptist Church Entertainment.

Zanesville, O., Special.—There was a grand entertainment at the Union Baptist church, Thursday evening. Miss Vernell Leach has gone to Steubenville, where she will remain all summer. There will be a church meeting at Union Baptist church Wednesday evening, Mrs. Schooley and daughter of Cincinnati, are the guests of Mrs. N. T. Gant, Mr. J. E. Williams was in the city last week to attend commencement. N. D. Cavender was in Cambridge Sunday. Miss Maggie Pritchet of Muskingum avenue, has gone to Sprinfield. Messrs. Harry Dickens, Richard Faithful, W.W. Needham and Mr. Weeks spent Sunday in Cambridge. The K. of P. lodge, No. 44, went to Cambridge Sunday to attend annual sermon of Guernsy lodge. They were accompanied by Moorehead's band. Miss Lavinia Logan Gant was piano accompanist of class of 1900. Mrs. Penn of Woodlawn avenue has gone to Wilberforce, O.

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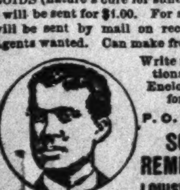

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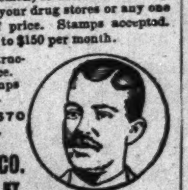

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WILL MEET IN INDIANAPOIS.

Elsewhere in this issue is the program of the Afro-American Council conference to be held in this city, Aug. 28 to 31. This program was made out in Washington under the personal supervision of the president, Bishop Walters. It will be seen that there is a generous sprinkling of the names of very notable individuals, who, if they keep faith with the committee, will make the conference a most notable gathering. There is no reason to suppose that these men will not put in their appearance, they are as a rule, men of means, many of them hold positions of honor and trust.

Indianapolis has something to do in preparing for tne the conference. Some sacrifices in time and money must be made. It is right and proper that this be done, since it is one of the best evidences of racial interest and growth It may as well as not be said here, that it is up to the Negroes to make their own headway. The chaperoning idea, the ward idea is now no part of the political, civil or social economy of this country It is even said that God helps those who help themselves.

An appeal will be made to the public for ways and means of providing for the distinguished guests, most of whom will, without doubt, be among us. The committee will rely on the public spirit of the colored folks as much as any one else to see that the visitors be cared for in a manner becoming the greatest representatives of the race.

It will be expected that such entertainments, banquets, etc., as precedence has established as belonging to such gathering, will be a part of this meeting. While these are not the essentials yet they are the social amenities, which to omit, would be the violation of the canons of good taste.

We look forward to the conference with considerable anxiety. We have more than a passing interest in the outcome of the meeting and the welfare of the strangers who will be within our gates. The colored people of this city have the reputation of being the most ideally circumstanced of any city in America where there is anything like the population, here. This evidence is gathered from colored people from every quarter of this country. With this splendid reputation of racial prosperity. it is to be hoped that citizens, to a man, may feel it their duty to contribute in some way to the permanancy of that reputation, and thus help to make the occasion one of such brilliancy as to stand alone in the firmament of Negro gathering.

After consulting with substantial colored men in all parts of the country, Booker T. Washington of Tuskegee Ala., has decided to assist in the organization of a National Negro Business League. The object of this organization is to encourage colored people through the central organization and local organizations to enter all avenues of business. The first meeting will be held in Boston August 23 and 24.

A BUSINESS LEAGUE.

An organization to be known as the National Negro Business League is under the process of formation. Prof. Booker T. Washington is at the head of the movement, the first meeting of which, will be held in Boston, August 23 and 24. The circular letter issued by Mr. Washington, says: "The need of an organization that will bring the colored people who are engaged in business together for consultation and to secure information and inspiration from each other has long been felt." Out of this national organization, it is expected, will grow local business leagues that will tend to improve the Negro as a business factor.

The needs of some kind of an organization that will give impetus to the business conducted by Negroes and to furnish incentives for the establishment of more business enterprises is plainly apparent. Anything that can be done that will instil such ideas should meet the hearty co operation of the race generally.

The whole people have great faith in Mr. Washington. His successful managing of the famous Tuskegee Institute has very much to do with this confidence. He is entitled to their confidence, and it bodes good, we think, to the race, when we see him, with his rare judgment and indomitable courage heading the lists in the organization of such movements.

There is a whole raft of people among us who are continually kicking, because race journals discuss race questions and they seem to be ashamed of their race. Well, race journals exist for that very purpose.—The Colored American, Washington, D. C.

It is quite true that papers published in the interest of Negroes only, because the necessity for such publications exists.

There, perhaps, may come a time when Negro newspapers, that now have peculiar functions to perform, will give away to those larger gatherers and distributors of information, but that time, in Biblical language, "is not yet at hand."

A RACIAL SUMMARY.

A few days ago the Indianapolis Press, a daily paper of great influence and wide circulation, in discussing the situation of the races in America, had the following to say of the Negroes:

"The negro, on the other hand, is beset with difficulties and trials unnumbered. Though his ancestors may have been brought to this country three centuries ago, and though his rights of citizenship and suffrage are guaranteed by two separate amendments to the Federal Constitution, the race is not only ostracized socially, but also denied in many States the civil and political rights which the Constitution pretends to secure. The prejudice is not weakened by time, but is apparently as strong to-day as it was thirty years ago. Two phases of it have been mani est during the last week—the political phase in Kentucky and the social phase in Milwaukee. It is reported from Democratic sources that no less than fifty thousand Kentucky Democrats would vote the Republican ticket this year if the negro were not allowed to vote; but prejudice is stronger than principle, and they will stand with the Goebelites to sustain and perpetuate a law which subverts popular government, rather than bear the odium of voting the ticket supported by white Republicans and negroes to protect the rights of the the majority.

"The white people of the South cannot overlook the fact that for more than two centuries the race was in servitude to themselves and their ancestors, establishing the relation of master and slave; and they are unwilling to admit that the chasm between the races incident to that relation can be bridged by a constitution and laws. The condition of social equality will probably never be attained in any part of the country, because it is not a matter to be regulated by statutes; but no community or commonwealth should be permitted to abridge the civil and political rights of any man on account of his race or color."

The foregoing summary of the racial struggle in America is complete. The Press tells the exact truth in the matter—void of all veneering. And the sooner all concerned look at things as they are, the sooner the whole business will be settled. Heretofore the colored people have been given reason to suppose that ere long that all bars would be down—barriers burned away. It was a dream. Those who think at all concerning the situation are apprehensive as to the future. But happily (?) the masses are not thinking anything about it.

"EXPERT" TESTIMONY.

The Literary Review is a Boston publication. It has great pretensions towards merit, worthiness of existence, etcetera. It is needless to say that Boston is in Massachusetts and that Massachusetts is in the North and the erstwhile hot-bed of abolitionism. We feel it necessary to furnish this very explanatory preface to the following remarks which have been uttered by this same Literary Review of such favorable environments. It says, in speaking of the Negro race:

"In the first place, the real negro is not a human being at all. That he walks and talks somewhat like the ruling order of bipeds weakens my assertion in no degree, for so do monkeys. And monkeys are, of the two, vastly preferable as companions. He has the sexual instinct and proclivities of the rabbit; he is a treacherous liar, an indefatigable thief, and a brutal enemy. He can outwallow any pig that was ever stied, and not one in ten thousand of him can lay claim to an iota of the intelligence, constancy, courtesy, or courage displayed by the average dog. He calls no man 'massa' unless he has been tipped a quarter. He will call you God for fifty cents; and grovel at your feet for a dollar. He never did an hour's honest work in his life save when driven at the end of a lash; and that is now unhappily against the law. That he does not sav his money is trivial detail counting neither for nor against him; but to picture him as sacrificing himself in any way for his employer is to give unending rein to a ridiculously optimistic imagination. He is far more likely to split open his employer's head with an ax, or to ravish his employer's wife. He has steadily degenerated with the flight of time, without regard to seduced statisticians of the contrary. He merits a place in literature only because of his acute and terrible depravity; and if our authors can not write him down as he is they should abandon him forever. To glorify him is like glorifying unspeakable lust and bestial cruelty. And it is a significant truth that the best among his kind—Booker Washington, Paul Dunbar and H. O. Tanner, for instance—regard each other with deep suspicion and dislike, save in opinions expressed for publication. I challenge any of them to denial."

Very singularly, it has been left for the Commercial Appeal of Memphis, Tenn., that section, which is known for its anti-Negro sentiments as pertaining some things, to stand up and say a word in the defense of the Negro. In the language of Rev. Jasper, "De Sun do Move." While the Commercial Appeal does not fall over itself in trying to defend the Negro; yet what it says, and refrains from saying is unutterably better than what the Literary Review has to say. The Commercial Appeal says:

"Whether the negro is a human being or not, Boston must decide to suit herself. The human being is supposed to be an individual who is possessed of a soul. The white man's soul has not yet been discover and no one knows whether it is a balloon-shaped aura, reaching out like the atmosphere of a planet, or whether it is the little end of nothing whitted to a sharp point. Much of what the digest says is true when applied to some negroes. To all it does not apply. One strange fact is remarked on, however, and that is that leading negroes are seldom friendly and are usually hostile to each other. Whether this is caused by jealousy, fear, suspicion or on account of some access of atavism or because of some ethnological infirmity is not known. The bitterest enemies of Booker T. Washington are men of his own color, He is assailed mercilessly by those who, one would think, should be his staunchest supporters. On one thing only could negroes agree and that was in voting 'de 'Publican ticket,' and many of them are losing faith in this amulet nowadays. The Boston iconoclast is at least a surprise."

Perhaps we should appologize for reproducing such rot, but its a long cry from Boston to Memphis. What the Review has said has been seen by tens of thousands already, and what publicity we give it will not add to, or subtract from it. It may be held a privilege to be able to know just what criticisms the race are undergoing.

The arraignment is terrible but the writer is a partisan one. He does not admit that a single good trait resides in the race, which in itself is enough to destroy the effect of the wholesale denunciation, since such sweeping charges, if sustained by actual conditions would render the race persona non grata to the country at once, and the country would find means of exterminating or closely colonizing a people of such total depravity and viciousness.

But very little of what the writer says reside in facts. His conclusions are the result of a heated imagination, which was superinduced by his personal antagonism, or else he seeks to out vie Till man in his achievement as the banner-hating Negro of America. His better judgment has been dethroned and in its place reigns hate, Negro hate, eternal hate. Nothing good could proceed from him; he is putrid green with envy and jealousy. What little truth he may have uttered has been heightened. The facts he had gleaned, and which might have made a tolerable summing up of race foibles and weakn essess have been distorted pass recognition.

DEATH OF BEN. T. THORNTON

It becomes our painful duty to announce the death of Benjamin Tobias Thornton, the noted detective, after a lingering illness of several years. He was not continuously ill but from time to time he had been brought low by that relentless disease, the asthma, which led up to other complications, resulting finally in his death, Monday evening June 18.

In his profession, Mr. Thornton was a man of unusual ability. He was born in slavery days, but not too early to receive great benefit from the public schools of this city which he attended although he had reached the years of manhood. His native ability coupled with the education he acquired amply fitted him for his chosen profession. As a detective, his name is as common as household words in the state of his adoption—Indiana, and the country at large, as a rule has seen evidences of his skill.

Not only was Mr. Thornton a first-rate detective, but he was an excellent citizen. It may be said that his profession, perhaps had made him at times intolerant at what he considered wrongs in others. He was a great believer in absolute, abstract right, regardless of conditions and circumstances. This spirit would have worked ruin for him long ago, had it not been for his very efficient services in running to the wall the criminal classes. He was honest. In that respect he was an ideal citizen, one to be emulated. He was one, at least, of whom we felt a money consideration could not influence his actions. He might pursue, relentlessly pursue, but it was out of his conviction that the pursued was worth the pursuit. He sometimes erred, but it was of the head and not the heart.

He had the proper conception of life at home. He was blessed with a wife who made his home an ideal one. She was of great financial assistance to him. These two could have made a lavish display of their earnings. This they did not do. He wisely invested their earnings in real estate from the very begining of his prosperity and did not cease until the day he died. He was estimated as a rich, man but in the general acceptance of the term he was not, but as a colored man with his meager opportunities, he was so; he was relatively rich.

The whole community mourns his loss. His life will always be an example. His honesty, integrity and sobriety were his watchwords. They in a manner were his church, his religion, his all. And, we may add that to all of these were added that highest spiritual estate, the christian religion. This he embraced in his last hours, but his was a life so close to the cross that he was always in sight of the city—he did not have far to go.

A grand reception and banquet was tendered Bishops Smith and Tyree, by the citizens of Nashville, Tenn., June 8th, at the St. John A. M. E. church. It was a representative affair in which all of Nashville's leading colored citizens participated. The entertainment, judging from the very excellent program was in every way fitting as a recognition of the elevation of two of their worthy townsmen. Too much cannot be said of the Nashville spirit which does not fail to recognize its own.

"An Appeal to Cæsar" is the title of a little pamphlet by Rev. C. T. Walker, D. D., of the Mt. Olivet Baptist church, New York city. He reviews the race conference held at Montgomery, Ala., replying to a criticism of Rev. Henry Frank upon the Negro race. Dr. Walker gives many historical incidents which support his contention as to the honorable career of Negroes throughout all time.

The platform of the National Republican Convention has the following which will be construed as pertaining to the Negroes and the late disfranchising acts of some of the Southern States:

"It was the plain purpose of the fifteenth amendment to the constitution to prevent discrimination on account of race or color, in regulating the elective franchise. Devices of State governments, whether by statutory or constitutional amendment, to avoid the purpose of this amendment are revolutionary and should be condemned.

There are conflicting reports as to the reception of the Negro delegations at Philadelphia. It may be imagined they fared about as usual. There are some things that are always to be expected.

It was a great convention. Republican success is in the air. Like music, it is everywhere.

In the death of Ben. T. Thornton, Indianapolis suffers a great loss.

AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL

Program for the Convention—Many Distinguished Citizens of Both Sexes to be Present.

The National Afro-American Council; at its next annual session will follow the program here given:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28.
10 A. M.

Opening Exercises.

Prayer—Rev. R. C. Ransom, D. D., chaplain, Chicago, Ill.

Hymn—"America."

Roll call—Secretary R. W. Thompson, Washington, D. C.

Address of Welcome—Governor Jas. A. Mount, Mayor Thomas Taggert, George L Knox, Indianapolis, (Ind.,) Freeman, A. E. Manning, Indianapolis, (Ind.,) World, W. Allison Sweeney, Indianapolis.

Responses—Hon. Geo. H. White, M. C., N. C., C. W. Anderson, N. Y., Counselor F. L. McGhee, Minn., Col. W. A. Pledger, Ga.

TUESDAY, 2 P. M.

Address of the President—Bishop Alexander Walters, Jersey City, N. J.

Reports of Financial Secretary—J. E. Bruce, Albany, N. Y

Report of Finance Committee—Prof. Jesse Lawson, Washington, D. C.

Report of Treasurer—J. W. Thompson, Rochester, N. Y.

TUESDAY, 7:30 P. M.

Topic: "Afro-American Citizenship." Addresses—Hon. Judson W. Lyons, Ga., Register Treasury; Ex-Gov. P. B. S. Pinchback, La., Bishop B. W. Arnett, Ohio, Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, Washington, D. C., General discussion.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29.
10 A. M.

Prayer,

Reading Minutes.

Report of Bureau of Legislation—Daniel Murray, Washington, D. C., Director. Discussion—F. L. McGhee, Minn., E. E. Brown, Mass., Hon. George H. White, N. C.

Report of Literary Bureau—Ex-Gov. P. B. S. Pinchback, La., Director. Discussion—Miss E. C. Carter, New Bedford, Mass., R. W. Thompson, Washington, D. C.

WEDNESDAY 2 P. M.

Report of Emigration Bureau—Bishop H. M. Turner, Ga., Director. Discussion, Bishop C. R. Harris, N. C., Bishop C. T. Shaffer, Pa., I. F. Bradley, Me.

Report of Business Bureau—Prof. W. E. B. DuBois, Ga., Director, Topic, "The Negro as a Producer and Consumer," A. F. Hilyer, Washington, D. C., Prof. W. H. Council, Ala., Prof. J. M. Gregory, N. J.

WEDNESDAY, 7:30 P. M.

Topic—"Education Under Negro Instructors," Prof. Kelly Miller, Washington, D. C., Dr. Lucy E. Moten, Washington D. C., Prof. J. W. E. Bowen, A. M., Ga., Prof. S. G. Atkins, A. M., N. C.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30.
10 A. M.

Prayer.

Reading Minutes.

Report of the Bureau of Education, Prof. B. A. Johnson, N. C., Director. "The Kind of Education Needed," Mrs. Julia Mason Layton, Washington, D. C., Prof. R. R. Wright, A. M., Ga., Prof. H. T. Kealing, A. M., Texas.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

Report of Bureau of Reforms—Rev. A. J. Cary, Director, Chicago, Ill., "Criminal Statistics," L. M. Hershaw, Washington, D. C., "How May Crime be Decreased?" Prof. Jas. B. Dudley, N. C., J. C. Napier, Tenn.

THURSDAY 7:30 P. M.

Topic—"Evils of Lynching." Report of Anti-Lynching Bureau—Mrs. Ida B. Wells Barnett, Director, Chicago, Ill., Discussion, T. Thomas Fortune, N. Y., John Mitchell, Jr. Va., Lillian C. Jewett, Mass., Hon. H. P. Cheatham, N. C.

FRIDAY AUGUST 31.
10 A. M.

Prayer.

Reading Minutes.

Topic—"How Shall the Afro-American National and Local Councils be Sustained?" Paper by Mrs. Lillian Thomas Fox, Indiana. Discussion, M. M. Lewey, Fla., J. R. Clifford, W. Va., Wm. M. Lewis, Ind.

"The Relations Between the Races," Prof. Jesse Lawson.

"Pulpit and Press as the Bases of Council Work." Bishop A. Grant, D. D., Bishop G. W. Clinton, D. D., Rev. H. T. Johnson, Hon. J. C. Dancy.

FRIDAY 2 P. M.

"The Negro and the Industrial Problem." Prof. Booker T. Washington, Tuskegee, Ala., Discussion.

Election. of Officers.

Report of Committee on Address.

FRIDAY, 7:30 P. M.
BANQUET.

Special Addresses are to be made during the meeting by Senator C. W. Fairbanks of Indiana, Hon D. B. Henderson, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ex-Governor Mac Corkle, W. Va. and Mrs. May Wright Sewall and Senator W. E. Mason of Illinois.

Committees that are arranging for the great meeting to be held at Indianapolis, Ind., August 28-31, 1900.

GENERAL COMMITTEE.

Bishop Alexander Walters, Chairman, Jersey City, N. J.; F. L. McGhee, Minnesota; G. L. Knox, Benjamin T. Thornton, A. E. Manning, W. Allison Sweeney, Mrs. Lillian Thomas Fox, Mrs. H. A. Webb, R. B. Bagby; Wm. M. Lewis, Indiana; I. T. Montgomery, Miss., Dr. Lucy E. Moten, District of Columbia Mrs. J. Silone Yates, Missouri; Mrs. Alice D. Carey, Georgia; Mrs. Lottie Wilson. Jackson, Michigan.

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Bishop Alexander Walters; T. Thomas Fortune, New York; P. B. S. Pinchback; Louisiana; Judson W. Lyons, Georgia, Jesse Lawson, Washington, D. C.; Ida Wells Barnett, Illinois; Miss E. C. Carter, Massachusetts.

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R. W. Thompson, Washington, D. C.; J. E. Bruce, Albany, N. Y.; Samuel E. Lacy, Washington, D. C.; Rev. H. T. Johnson, New Jersey; Mrs. N. F. Mossell, Pennsylvania; John Mitchell, Jr., Virginia; Justien DeClelland, Illinois; Mrs. M. W. Steward, Tennessee; E. E. Cooper, Washington, D. C.; F. L. McGhee, Minnesota; C. F. Adams, Illinois; Wm M. Lewis, Indiana; M. M. Lewis, Florida, W. A. Pledger, Georgia; W. H. Steward, Kentucky; Rev. J. W. Smith, N. C.; Rev. H. Phillips, Tennessee; H. C Smith, Ohio; O. J. Perry, Pennsylvania; Rev. I. B. Scott, Louisiana.

SPECIAL PRESS COMMITTEE.

Samuel E. Lacy, chairman, R. W. Thompson; W. T. Menard, Alex. L. Manly, Mrs. Julia M. Layton.

BEN THORNTON DEAD

SUDDEN DEATH OF WELL KNOWN COLORED DETECTIVE.

ZEALOUS PURSUANCE OF DUTY

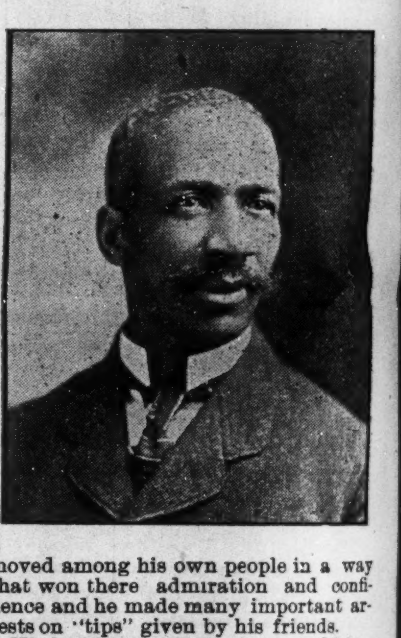
Causes His Sudden Demise—From a Runaway Slave He Became a Great Criminal Hunter—Briefs of his Eventful Career.

Benjamin T. Thornton, a colored detective with a national reputation and highly regarded as a citizen of this city, died at his home, 525 Bright street, Monday night at 11.30 o'clock of acute pneumonia, complicated with asthma. He had been a sufferer from asthma for years but the attack of pneumonia came on ten days ago. The announcement of his death came as a surprise to all.

Ben Thornton was a remarkable man in many ways. Born a Virginia slave on December 16th, 1849, he remained in the service of his master, named Krebs, until he was 12 years of age, when, to avoid a whipping, he ran away and became a protege of Col. Oran Perry's regiment, which was then reconnoitering in Virginia. He remained with Perry's soldiers until they were mustered out, Then Thornton made his way to Indiana, his life's battle-ground and the scene of his successes. First he settled in Richmond, but soon came to Indianapolis and went to work in a cooper shop. Next he went to Kansas City and worked in a cooper shop there. In Kansas City he met Essie M. Moore, whom he married on October 10, 1877, shortly after his return to this city.

Realizing that success is only attained by a knowledge of human affairs, he decided to give himself an education, and while driving a sprinkling cart, he read books and studied. He possessed that good American trait known as "horse sense" and his business qualifications were noticeable at all times. That he was a good business man is shown in the property accumulations of his career. He was a close student of human nature, an element of his success as a detective.

Twenty-five years ago he became a member of the Indianapolis police force and was appointed turnkey after a brief service as patrolman. He was appointed a detective on August 26, 1886 and served in that department until his death His reputation as a detective was gained through his ability to capture criminals of his own race. He moved among his own people in a way that won there admiration and confidence and he made many important arrests on "tips" given by his friends.



His last important tip is marked by a strange coincidence. When Ed Ruthven the Cleveland murderer went into hiding in this city, old Cornelius Jackson went to Thornton and told him where Ruthven was in hiding. That tip was the first step in the capture of the pursued Ruthven. Yesterday afternoon, the man that gave the "tip" fell dead in the basement under Huder's drug store. A few hours later in the same day Ben Thornton who received the "tip" passed away. Another incident in his career is memorable. On the same night that President Garfield was shot, Ben Thornton was stabbed by a Negro desperado that was attempting to escape arrest.

Among the important arrests in which Thornton played the leading role was the capture of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Coup, who stole J. W. Murphy's diamonds, valued at $2,000. He recovered the diamonds, of J. W. Adams, later capturing the thief. Ben Thornton was reprimanded but once, and that was for declaring that Parker and McAfee, convicted for the Eyster murder, were innocent.

The deceased was a member of Lincoln Lodge, No. 1486, Odd Fellows, and Pride of the West Lodge, No. 3, Knights of Pythias. Both orders will attend the funeral, which was held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at his late residence. The Rev. Mr. Newton of Bethel A. M. E. Church will conduct the services.

"Speaking of Thornton's wonderful detective instincts," said C. C. Hadley, who, as an attorney, came in contact with the detective. "I remember on one occasion how Thornton seemed to make an arrest on inspiration, if such a term could be appiled. He was walking along Delaware street one night, on his way to report at headquarters. As he passed a narrow and darkened stairway he saw two men talking together in the entry way. 'I walked on a little way.' Thornton said, and then stopped. I had a feeling of uneasiness, and the longer I linger, the more pronounced grew the feeling of suspicion. Finally I walked back and placed the two men under arrest. When we arrived at headquarters, I found that while I was lingering on Delaware street a telegram had come in from St. Louis calling upon us to arrest one of the very men I had picked up, describing him as a theif and housebreaker and a desperate man."

Superintendent of Police Quigley this morning ordered the Police Station appropriately draped in memory of Mr. Thornton. Custodian Stevens placed the official black star above the main door.

THE STAGE.

—EDITED BY—

J. HARRY JACKSON.

The Carter Bros., sends regards to the Stewart Sisters.

Goodall & Kemp are at the Chicago Opera House, this week.

Wm. Hallback sends regards to Ray Trusty, Major Ben Payne, W. L. Lemley, Mr. and Mrs. Kersands and all friends.

Frank Clermont says hello to Will Goff Kennedy, Wm. Fletcher, Perry McKay and other friends with Georgia Up-to-Date.

Major Ben. F. Payne sends regards to Ernest Hogan, Jas. P. Jones, Lloy Cooper, Richard Barnett, The Smalls, all friends and others.(?)

Hodges and Launchemere, novelty comedy creators, are on the big vandeville bill at Hashim's Grand Opera House, Philadelphia, this week.

W. N. P. Spiller, tenor soloist, and saxophone virtuoso, has signed as stage manager and vocal director of Rusco & Holland's Big Minstrel Festival this season.

John Rucker, the "Alabama Blossom" will be seen this season as "Amos Jackson." Mr. Rucker and wife are enjoying the best of health and pleasure. They send regards to all.

Miss Dora Patterson, the little octoroon soubrette, will be seen this season in the cast of Black Patti's Troubadours, as "the little Virginia Rosebud". She says: "Hello! Sadie Britton, I'll see you about the 20th of next.

Mr. Chas. S. Sager, comedian and author, is organizing a company of Negro entertainers for the Webber-Doak & Burton Amusement Co., of Indianapolis. The company will be known as the "Creole Burlesquers."

Laurence E. Chenault, the tenor, who has for the last year been touring Australia, New Zealand, Samoa Islands and Honolulu, with Hogan's Minstrels, is due to arrive at his home, 654 Richmond street, Cincinnati, Ohio, this week, and would like to hear from all friends, professional and non-professional.

The Jones Brothers—Wm. and Blutch better known as "Ernest Hogan's Kids" writes that they are making an immense hit with Valdare's Vaudevilles through Australia. They send regards to Ben F. Payne, Blanche and Babe Alexander, and other friends. They will return to the States in July.

E. O. Green and Frank Clermont announce that they have joined the John F. Stowe Uncle Tom's Cabin company and everything is running smoothly. They say that when they arrived at Parkersburg, Ia., such another French and Creole conversation started between Ralph Nicolas and Frank Clermont, why, they are still talking up to this writing. For a quartette they need Harry Prampin and Dan Desdunes.

CHICAGO—Frank Mallory, of the Mallory Bros., was a pleasant caller at the Stage Sample Room while in the Windy City. Marsh Craig was also a caller. Both were very much pleased with the appearance of the place. The Stage Sample Room was recently serenaded by Prof. Malone's summer orchestra, which is composed as follows: Prof. W. Malone, 1st violin; Scotte, viola; Sam Burns, cello; Jas. Toomey, flute; Buddie Robinson, cornet S. E. Dodd, pianist.

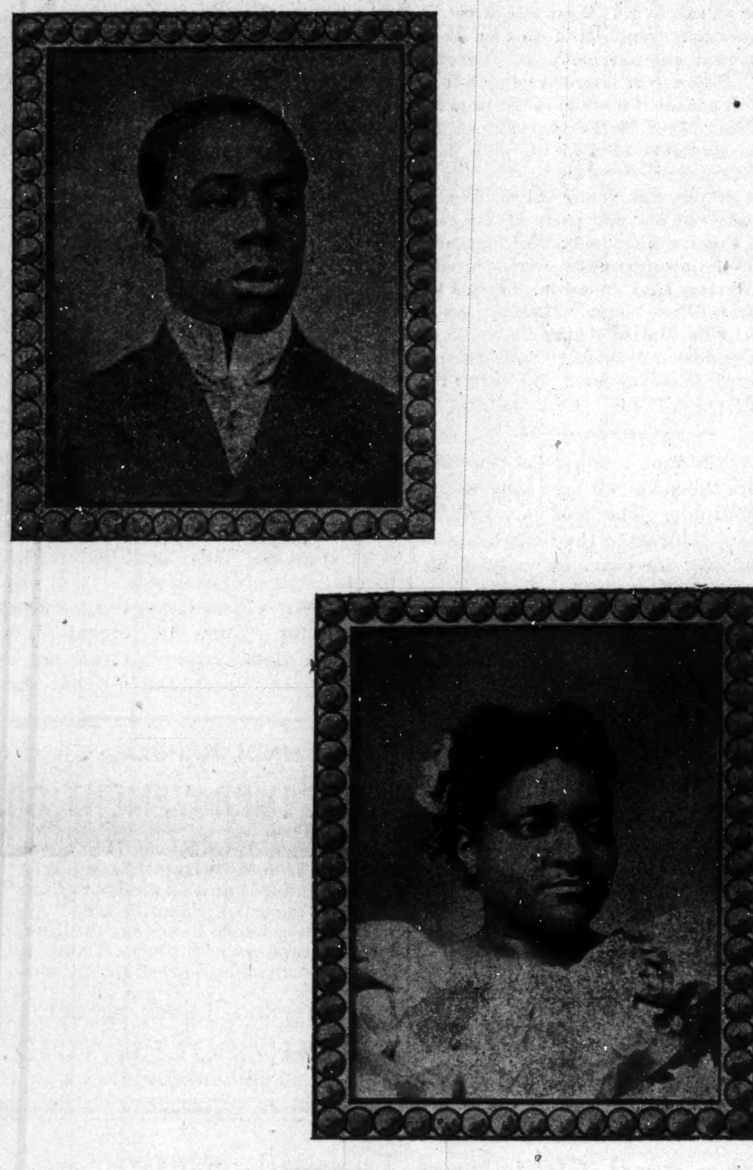
The Original Nashville Students and Gideon's Big Minstrel Carnival are playing to big houses through Idaho, and expect to close their season at Winnepeg, Canada, August 4. Ray Trusty is making a big hit with his new sketch assisted by Walter Johnson. Emmett Davis, our new comedian, is a favorite in the West; while Skinner Harris never fails to get his nightly. The Carter Bros., are still closing the olio; they have added five new tricks to their act. The Campbell Bros., are also doing nicely.

Graham's "Blackville Society" company is pleasing large audiences. The company is headed by Mme. Flower, and the following well-known people: Sam Lucas, Billy Miller, Rastus and Banks, Freeman Sisters, Will A. Cook, Jas. P. Reed, Lulu Coates, Ida Vigal, James Grundy, Sherman Coates, Robt Grundy, Bessie Ellis, Sue Grundy, Pearl Woods, Emma Chackson and Florence Collins. James J. Vaughan is musical director, J. F Butler is the electrician and property man, while Martin Sullivan handles the wardrobe.

Notes from the Alabama Blossom Quartette, of St. Louis, Mo.—"We open our first summer engagement with and for the Avery Mfg., Co., of Peoria, Ill., beginning the 3d, and closing on the 17. Our trip to Omaha will be long remembered by the party also the quartette. We have just signed contract with the above named firm for a trip through North Dakota. Our quartette is as follows: Burrell Armstead, 1st tenor; Nathan Sears, 2d tenor; Wm. Buckner, bass; Reuben Burton, 2d bass.

John W. Isham, founder and originator of Isham's Octoroons, one of the most successful colored enterprises ever organized, will inaugurate another new departure from the weather beaten path and present an entirely original idea, entitled: "King Rastus," which will be interpreted by the leading lights of the colored theatrical race, including the "Only" Billy Kersands, (the old wagon that never broke down); Tom Brown, Smart & Williams, Mallory Bros., and Brooks, and other recognized colored entertainers. With such an array of talent there is no doubt of Mr. Isham's ideas being faithfully carried out, and we bespeak for him a prosperous season.

Clarence Powell writes:—Dear Freeman, just a line to let my many friends know my whereabouts. After the closing of the Scott's show I was engaged to strengthen Graham's Blackville Society Company for two weeks. Closing with the above named show, I opened one week engagement at the Grand Theatre Boston with the Stock Company. I was especially engaged to play the blackface part in a Western drama. The following week I opened at Austin P. Stone's, Boston for one week and was engaged for two weeks after the first performance. After playing Howard Atheneum and several other first class houses I opened last Monday June 11, at Charles River Park Boston, being engaged by J. W. Gorman for 12 weeks, to play his New England circuit of Parks. Boys you are too many to name you all so I will say best regards to "Der whole Push." Ability means success, (with apology to J. Ed. Green.)



CISSEL & MINES.

Cissel and Mines.

The above is excellent likeness of Cissel and Mines, the colored magnets. They have been with such shows as the Black Patti Troubadours, and last season were headliners of the "Darktown Swells. They are at present playing dates, having appeared at the leading vaudeville houses of the East. Mr. Cissel is a clever comedian, and has his own peculiar way of working, and his make up is entirely original. Miss Mines is the possessor of a very sweet voice, and can easily reach high C. They are at present filling a twelve weeks engagement at the Buckingham Theatre, Tampa, Fla. They have been offered a place among the headliners of Pat Chappelle's "A Rabbit's Foot" company. They will be pleased to hear from responsible managers, address care Pat Chappelle, Tampa, Florida.

After four months at the Buckingham and Mascotte Theatres, of Tampa, and Ft. Brooke, Fla., Mr. D. Ireland Thomas will return to his home in New Orleans, for a much needed rest for a few weeks. He also writes that he has been offered an engagement with "A Rabbit's Foot" Comedy Co., and also the management of the Buckingham and Mascotte Theatres during the time Mr. Pat Chappelle is on the road with his big show. He does not know which one he will accept at present, but says it will be one or the other. Managers and friends address him for three weeks, 1968 Jackson avenue, New Orleans, La.

Chas. H. Williams, of A. G. Allen's New Orleans Minstrels writes: "Claude Richardson, baritone player in the No 1 band, was sent home from Circleville, O., Wednesday of last week. We hated to lose him, for he was so well thought of by the members and proprietors of the company. He was a very quiet boy and has caused the show no trouble, always at his post until sickness overtook him. We hope he will soon recover and rejoin the show, as there is always a place for him here. Mr. Richardson's home is at Jacksonville, Ill. Mrs. Oaks and Miss Oaks, wife and daughter of Mr. Oaks, our treasurer, are visiting the show. Wm. Grant was royally entertained at his home by friends. Mr Cox met old friends at Roanoke, Va., who gave him and other members of the company a good time. Billy Deyart, our rube, holds the crowd in the street. P. Owens is singing with great success 'I've Got Chicken on the Brain.' While Chas. H. Williams is hitting 'em hard singing 'My Hannah Lady, Who'se Black Baby Are You' and 'My Widie.' Gus Stevens, female impersonator, receives curtain calls nightly singing "My Genuine African Blonde.' Kid Arant keeps the public guessing. The big six neat song and dance that we intend putting on in a few days will be a winner."

Owing to the many flattering offers from leading theatrical managers throughout the United States, of dates for his "A Rabbit's Foot" company, Mr. Pat Chappelle has decided to play nothing but first-class theatres, instead of under canvas, as first announced in these columns. Mr. Chappelle writes that Messrs. Hurtig & Seamon, well-known New York theatrical managers, are now booking the show in the leading houses. The fact that these gentlemen are booking the attraction is a guarantee that the entertainment to be presented will be a meritorious one. Nick Roberts, late of Tony Pastor's Theatre, New York City, will handle the managerial reins, while the irresistable L. Milt Boyer will be in the advance with two able assistants and plenty of special original paper, which is now being prepared by the Donaldson Lithograph Co. "A Rabbit's Foot" is an original two-act farce comedy from the pen of Frank Dumont, written especially for Pat Chappelle, the well-known manager of the Mascotte and Buckingham Theatres at Tampa, Fla., and the author claims that it is the funniest that he has ever written. The following is a partial list of people already engaged for this big company: Mme. May C. Hyers, R. H. Barnett, Brandon & Arlington, Davis & Davis, E. W. Pickett, Geo. S. Thomas, Edw. Williams, Lee Smith, James A. McMurray, Sam Cohen and others. The company will begin rehearsals at Lakeview, N. J., August 1, and opening their season August 15. The compan will number fifty or more. Prof. Frank Clermont will have charge of the three brass bands with the show, and he has secured some of the ablest musicians of to-day for his concert band. Special scenery will be carried, and elaborate costumes worn in this production. They will travel in their own train of dining and sleeping cars.

Notes from the John F. Stowe Uncle Tom's Cabin company—"We are now in our seventh week of success, under canvas, the grandest the show has ever known. We never expect anything but the S. R. O. sign, and we have not been disappointed. The show has never been stronger than to-day, so far as the colored contingent is concerned. We have a band of eight mouth-pieces that is A1, and is gaining great favor everywhere. Two quartettes—the Manhattan and Cyclone which are doing excellent work. We make special mention of the Cyclones as they are taking the country by storm taking two and three encores nightly. Our late additions are Frank Clermont, cornetist, and E. O. Green, trombone soloist, late of Lowery & Green's Nashville Students. Our genial manager is very much pleased with our little band and says that he will spare neither pains nor money to keep it up to the standard and nothing is too good for the boys. We will say without fear of contradiction that our concert is the strongest ever put under canvas. We are now in the State of Iowa, and have had some very bad weather, but as we have a water-proof canvas it has not affected us. A. L. Mason sends regards to the Woods, Goff Kennedy and all the boys with the Georgias, also to W. H. Flanner and all old friends. Ralph Nicolas sends regards to Chas. Elgar and Harry Prampin. Frank Clermont sends regards to James Lacy, George Bailey, J. B. Tucker and D. Ireland Thomas.

News from The New and Ancient South Co.—"Well we are still on the move playing to good business throughout Pennsylvania and all is pleasant with us. Mr. Hugh L. Harrison our genial manager has been absent from the company negotiating for a new 90ft. oblong top and an additional car. The car and top will catch us some time next week. It takes time boys, but we'l be in it by and by. Mr. J. D. Harrison our advance representative paid us a flying visit at Wilkes-Barre Pa., and all were glad to see him with nothing but sunshine in his face. He promises us extra good work ahead and nothing but money to follow in his wake. Mrs. Ida Hill was compelled to return to her home at Atlantic City for treatment owing to heart trouble. She will join the company on her recovery which we hope will be soon. Mr. I. Scott our tosorial artist is doing a land office business and every pay day comes around with the "glad mit." The Paynes, Ben Susie and Mamie are making good as usual and are rehearsing an original act written by Major Ben. F. Payne. They intend playing dates commencing with the regular season. The Major has already secured some good booking for the trio in September and October. Clermo Harris, the human snake, has been ill for the last few days although he keeps at his work. Mr. Steve Brackenridge is contemplating the purchase of an 18k diamond pin Mme. Jackson, wardrobe custodian is chuck full of business at present, fitting and refitting new wardrobes just received. She has six large trunks already and is grumbling about more room. The wardrobe with this company is quite extensive and very elaborate and far surpasses any thing ever seen under any tent or in any theatre. The dresses worn by the ladies were made by worth of Paris France, the famous costumer of the world.

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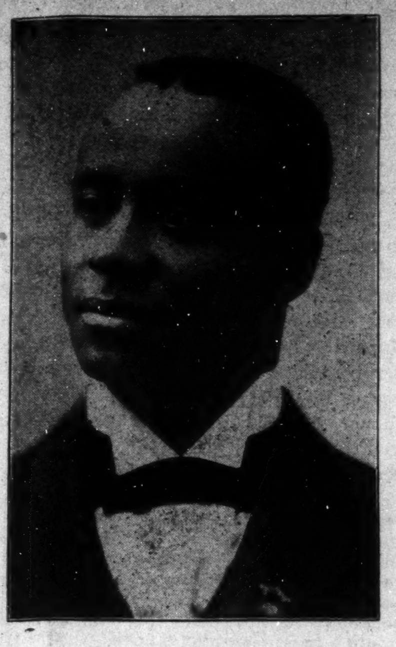

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W. FORREST COZART.

Mr. H. C. Brown is the affable second waiter at the Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, Mich.

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Mr. Chas. Washington has returned to the Arcade Hotel, Springfield, Ohio, as chef,

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Mr. L. H. Harris has succeeded Mr. A. Haskins at the Algonquin Cafe, Dayton, Ohio.

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Mr. Robert Thompson, formerly head-waiter at the Imperial Hotel. Knoxville, Tenn., is now residing in Columbus, O.

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Mr. C. H. Hall of 74 East Market st., Corning, New York, is a member of the H. & S. W. N. B. A. Mr. Hall owns a fine cafe in that city, and is doing a very fine business.

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Mesdames C. H. McCard and H. Pettigrew spared no pains in making everything pleasant for the visiting head-waiters to the Pittsburg convention.

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The many friends of Mr. Thos. H. Frazier head-waiter at the Kimball House, will be pleased to know that he has fully recovered from a severe case of LaGrippe.

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Mr. C. C. Lewis, head-waiter at the Burnett House, Cincinnati, O., has broken all colored head-waiter's record, at the Burnett, and it seems that he is there to stay. We told you that Chas. would turn the trick.

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Mr. Walter Rawlins who has been head-waiter at the Hotel Atlas, Dayton, Ohio, for the past three years has resigned. and has been succeeded by Mr. A. Haskins formerly head.waiter at the Algonquin Cafe in that city.

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The Head and Second Waiters National Benefit Association adopted The Freeman as its race organ, and all those who are interested in this prosperous association and its grand work, should subscribe for The Freeman at once.

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Mr. F. S. Jones, head-waiter of the Crocker House, New London, Conn., has been re-appointed State Vice President of the H. & S. W. N. B. A. Mr. Jones does not indorse cake walks among waiters, and will do all he can to stamp out the evil.

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Mr. John Galloway, formerly of the Nelson Hotel, Rockford, Ill., is now chef at the Clarendon Hotel, Zanesville, O., where he is now making quite a reputation for himself as chef Mr. Galloway is a race lover and advocater and is making himself useful in Zanesville along this line.

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Mr. J. F. Smith. who is now acting as sexton for the Bethel A. M E. church at Pittsburg, Pa., is an old ex-head-waiter, consequently he took much interest in the visiting head-waiters and the convention in general. Mr. Smith was head-waiter at the Central Hotel in that city for over thirty years.

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Messrs. C. B. Butler and A. Smith of Terre Haute, Ind., have invented a platter holder, which is destined to become a very useful article in handling large platters in hotels and restaurants. Mr. Butler has a model of his invention and would be please to answer all inquiries concerning it. Address C. B. Butler, court house, Terre Houte, Ind.

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Mr. W. Alonzo Locke, head-waiter at the Halliday House, Cairo, Ill., who was elected Vice President of the H. & S. W N. B. A. at Pittsburg, has returned to his post of duty. After attending the convention Mr. Locke went on a wild goose chase away down in Tennessee. Goose greese will nodoubt be plentiful in Cairo for the next six months,

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The Citizens' Business League of Milwaukee, Wis., which invited the Head Waiters' National Association to hold its next annual convention in that city, is officered as followers: Wilmer Seig, President; F. J. Matchette, proprietor St. Charles Hotel, Milwaukee and the Palmer House, Fon du Lac, Wis, Treasurer; T. J. Sullivan, Secretary; Board of Directors: John I. Beggs, Chairman; Alvin Kletzsch, Nathan Hamburger, W. G. King, Manager Plankington House, F. M. Snavy and A. L. Severance, Manager of the Hotel Thister. While the time and place of the next convention has not been selected, it is safe to say to that Milwaukee has the lead thus far, and why shouldn't it?

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The republicans of the fifth district of Ohio met in Dayton last month and nominated the Hon. R. M. Nevin for Congress. Mr. Nevin is one of Dayton's best lawyers and always has been a true friend to the colored people, and especially the waiters in the hotel were he boards. It goes without saying that all the waiters in and around Dayton will vote for "Bob."

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Mr. O. Stallworth, a side-waiter at the Knutsford Hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah, writes: "I have just finished reading the Constitution and By-Laws of the Head and Second Waiters' Association, and my opinion is that your Association is a grand movement. I also notice that steps are being taken to establish a training school for waiters. This I consider a good idea, as waiters could be taught to give first class European service, and a crew of well trained European waiters could be furnished on short notice. I hope that every head, second and side waiter of our race will give your association their loyal support in its grand work. We all enjoy reading your interesting column in The Freeman, as it fills a long felt want. The waiters of the Rocky Mountain region send their greetings to all the Eastern boys in the profession. Yours truly,

O. STALLSWORTH, 65 Franklin Ave

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Mr. John O'Donnell, white head-waiter who has held full sway in Cincinnati hotels for the past fifteen years, retired from the Gibson House of that city on June 1st. Mr. O'Donnell wa head-waiter at the Burnett House for about ten years, during which time he furnished costumes to the waiters, such as black pants, white and black vests and jackets. 'Tis said that he accumulated a small fortune from sale of the above costumes. It is currently reported in Cincinnati that Mr. O'Donnell has been engaged as head-waiter for the Grand Hotel, Macanac, Island and Mr. L. Hervey a colored head-waiter has been engaged for second waiter. That class of colored waiters who prefer a white man's kick to the kind treatment of one of their own color may have the conductors to put them off at Macanac.

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CLEVELAND, O., May 28, 1900.

To the Officers and Members of the Head and Second Waiters Beneficial Association in convention at Pittsburg, Pa.: This is to certify that the following named gentleman are members of this worthy organization, and are held in high esteem by us: Geo Washington, Vice President, Ohio, Henry Emory Frank Terry, Frank Moss, W. G. Thurston, W. J. Hunley, Thos. H. Smith, Frank Moore, John W. Mitchell a d H. T. Eubank. We also send to sit with you as delegates George Washington, Vice President of the State of Ohio, and Frank Terry. We also endorse anything that may be done for the advancement of the cause of our trade. We wish you a harmonious sitting.

W. G. THURSTON,
Acting Secretary.

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The sad death of Mr. Joe Read, a well known waiter, which occurred while he was beating his way on a train a few weeks ago from South Bend, Ind., to Toledo, Ohio, should be an object lesson to all traveling waiters. Mr. Read's home was in Birmingham, Ala., but he was well known in Chicago, Milwaukee and South Bend, Ind., where he had a host of friends. He had served in the U. S. army, having gone to Cuba and marched up San Juan Hill with the other brave colored soldiers. Mr. Read was knocked from the top of a car by a bridge, and when his lifeless body was found he had on two good diamonds and about $60 in his pocket, which showed that he was not beating his way because he was broke, but simply for fun. Mr. Read has simply followed in the footsteps of other bright and intelligent young colored men who had a bright future before them, but failed to grasp it, and to cap the climax they invariably sacrificed their lives trying to enjoy some cheap folly which was degrading.

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The banquent given by the Head and Second Waiters Association at Masonic hall, Madison avenue and Washington street, in Alleghany, Penn., May 30th. was no doubt the finest affair of its kind ever given in that section of the country. The beautiful and spacious dance hall was most gorgeously decorated with cut flowers and huge palms. The orchestra which was seated on the platform just behind the speaker's table was partl concealed behind a bed of tall palms, from which they poured forth sweet strains of music. The banquet table was prettily arranged in the shape of an "M" and covers were laid for 200. At 10 o'clock the guests entered the hall led by Mr. W. F. Cozart and Mrs. H. Pettigrew and Mr. Stanton and Mrs. C. H. McCord. The menu was as follows: Chicken soup a la Reine, Pickles, salted almonds, chicken croquets aux Petit Pais, claret punch, Filet de Boeuf aux Champiguons, Whole tomatoes Francaise, ice cream, ladyfingers, maccaroons, ice cake, Fromage et crackers and cafe nair. After dining most sumptuously Mr. Pettigrew, the toast master in a pleasing and bright sally introduced Mr. W. Forrest Cozart as the first speaker of the evening. Mr. W. A. Locke, was next introduced as the silver tongued orator of Egypt. Mr. Locke's address was most pleasing and highly appreciated by the audience. Mr. H Stanton, a very bright young Pittsburg attorney was the next speaker, and he made a most eloquent address. Mr. C. H. McCord was the next speaker. Mr. George Washington of Cleveland, O., was the last and by far the best speaker of the evening. As soon as the last speaker had finished the guests departed and the hall was immediately cleared for those who loved to trip the fantastic toe. As the sweet strains of dreamy waltz would rise to a valuptuous swell and then gradually die away, the dainty figures, clad in handsome and costly costumes, glided around and sweetly drank the pleasures thereof until the wee hours in the morning. Messrs T. H. Lloyd G. H. Williams, Geo Robb, I. T. Gilbert, A. E. Parr, C. H McCard and H. Pettigrew, the committee on arrangements, deserves much credit for so successfully conducting the above affair.

Detroit Sleeping Car,

Via Pennsylvania Short Lines and Wabash R. R., will again be placed in daily service the latter part of May. This will be the only through sleeping car line between Indianapolis and Detroit. Tourist tickets will be sold on and after June 1st through Detroit to St. Clair River points, Niagara Falls and Summer Resorts in Canada. Full particulars may be obtained from any Pennsylvania Lines Ticket Agent or by addressing W. W. Richardson, L. P. A., Indianapolis, Ind.

To the Public.

We take pleasure in recomending articles prepared by Dr. Sadie Porter, of 1031 Jefferson street, Nashville, Tenn. They have been used by different members of The Freeman staff who found them to do just as advertised.

Items of Interest.

Henderson, Ky., Special.—Dr. C. E. Gowdy left last week for Nashville to attend the wedding of his mother Mrs. Mary C. Gowdy. Mrs. Steele, of Clarksville, Tenn., is visiting her sister Mrs. Mattie Smith on South Elm street. The little folks concert given under the auspices of Household Ruth, on Monday was quite a success. The children commended themselves most highly. Mrs. A. J. Browne and daughter Susan of St. Louis arrived Sunday on a visit to relatives. Mrs. George Dunn and children are visiting friends in Robard. Elder R. H. C. Mitchell was in the city last week from Danville. Mrs. Carrie O'Neal and children are visiting relatives in Nashville. Mr. Henry Dallam is quite ill. Mr. Robert Bradshaw, of Owensboro. was in the city recently. Children's Day was observed at the First Baptist church last Sunday afternoon with appropiate exercises. Mrs. Maggie Young who has been visiting relatives in the city left for Indianapolis June 10.

Pennsylvania Short Lines,

Through Sleeper to Michigan Resorts. The through Sleeping Car Line for Grand Rapids, Traverse City, Petoskey, Bay View, Herbor Springs, Mackinaw City, via Pennsylvania Short Lines and G. R. & I. R. R., will be opened about June 17th. The only through car line from Indianapolis. Tourist tickets on sale to Michigan resorts on and after June 1st. For particulars as to as to time of trains, rates, sleeping car space, etc., call on Pennsylvania Line Ticket Agents, or address, W. W. Richardson, D. P. A., Indianapolis.

LITERARY NOTES

"Better, month by month," and "More and more necessary to the thinking man, whose craving for the broadest information knows no satiety," are recent verdicts on Cram's Magazine, from the pens of men prominent in literature and public affairs. These encomiums are well deserved, for the start of its record volume shows that it proposes to and will keep up the excellent standard set by the seven hundred pages of its first volume, both in timeliness and in attractiveness.

"Everybody's Magazine for June" is full of that sort of literature that is easy to read and hard to forget. The skilful admixture of information with interest, which is characteristic of the articles in this magazine is shown at its best. The 'Simple Explanation" of the month is entitled "Electricity and some other Puzzles." The author disclaims at the outset any intention of "explaining" what electricity is, for he says no explanation has yet been given. But he talks breezily along about the latest theories in regard to it and when the reader finishes he will have a very good idea of what it is thought to be, as well as a pretty clear understanding of the hypotheses that concern light, heat, gravitation and the atomic and molecular construction of matter. "From Cotton to Cloth" is the fourth article in the American Industries series. It describes the spinning and weaving of cotton fabrics. The mill taken as a type is one of the new ones in the South, and the author takes advantage of the fact to give some important and interesting facts on the Southern Industrial situation. The fiction is plentiful and good, consisting of the short, snappy, readable stories of which the magazine makes a specialty.

Century Club.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.—On the evening of the 7th inst the 20th Century Social club, consisting of the young ladies of our city, gave an entertainment in honor of Misses Gertrude Durroh and Eliza Blackwell at the residence of Mrs. Jones Bushtown. These two young ladies were graduated this last term, on the 1st inst. This was quite an enjoyable affair. The young men turned out in great shape. We have with us now Mr. Beard of Birmingham, Ala., the great Negro inventor. He has in the past made a great fortune inventing patents of different discription. Mrs. Georgia Sails, wife of John Sails, a waiter at the Southern Hotel, has come to make Chattanooga her home, residing on Lookout street. They were recently married in Dalton, Ga. Mr. Robert Washington was married to Miss Claudine Pugh on Wednesday evening, June 6th, at the Leanard Street Presbyterian church, at 8:30 p. m. After the ceremony they were driven to their beautiful residence where refreshments were served. Rev. Trusty officiated. The groom is a porter of the Third National Bank of this city, the bride a school teacher of this city. We wish them both a happy and prosperous living throughout their determination. You will find The Freeman on sale at 207 West 9th street, T. M. Henderson, agent. Mrs. Cox on Long street, gave an entertainment last Thursday evening. There were several attended from town, which made it a grand affair in every respect. Jack Mayfield, the great cake walker was seriously stabbed Friday ntght by Mary Shaw. He may recover. On the evening of the 5th inst., several young ladies and gentlemen enjoyed a social party at the residence of Ella Goodwin in South Chattanooga. The following guests were present: Messrs. Thomas M. Henderson, Francis W. Collier and Elliot Young. Madames Anna E. Wells, Ella Martin, Laura Colter, Lena Gardner and Irene Williams. Refreshments were served in abundance. We regret the death of Mr. Ed. Henry, on the 6th inst.

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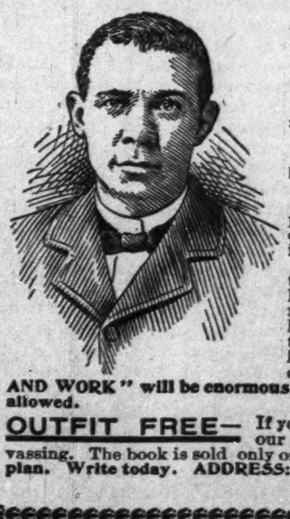

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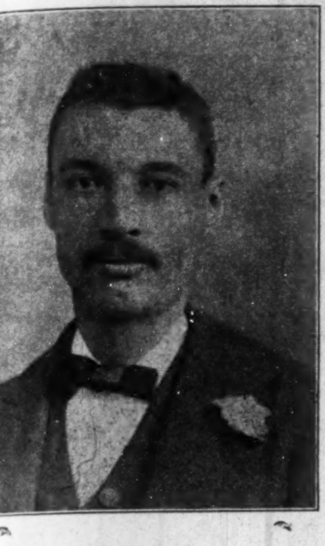

JAMES J. TURNER.

At Toledo, Ohio, one of the most brilliant affairs in Local Clubdom took place on Thursday evening June 7. When the Third Grand Annual Bonquet was given by the Young Men's Social club at 213 Erie street Toledo, O. In honor of J. J. Turner of Providence, R. I. The well appointed and beautiful parlors of the club were filled with some 70 guests who assembled there to do honor to the occasion. The Banquet Board was laid the length of the long dinning room and when the members and guests had surrounded it in there full evening costume they presented a distinguished appearance. Among the speech makers of the evening was the Hon. Chas. Cottrill; he spoke in glowing terms of the management of the club, and the pleasure it gave him to meet Mr. Turner. His speech was highly entertaining and will long be remembered by those who were fortunate enough to hear it. Went in order was the brilliant and distingushed, Dr. Chas. Ferguson. He spoke entertainingly and was given much applause. Dr. J. Purcell Haynes was next called, he remarked that was useless for him to try a speech making as those before him had voiced his sentiments, but nevertheless he spoke with so much tact and not that he earned the praise of an after dinner speech maker, next was the cultured Dr. Johnson the graceful and witty speaker made one of the hits of the evening. Mr. Pearl Barber came next and forcible and elegant speaker was given close attention he was also given much praise by those for whom he has provided a first class place of recreation and amusement. Next came the guest of honor. Mr. Turner to much can not be said of this affluent and intelligent speaker with and easy and graceful manner he held the attention of each and every one and won the praise of all. Mr. Turner has made a place in the affections and esteem of those who have meet him which bear honor to this man's sterling character. With Mr. Turner the speech making was concluded and the Banquet was over. The musical part of the program was the proceded with. Prof. Chas Lee has the under his direction and he did justice to his musical ablities. The program was comprised of a number of the best talent which the profession could present. After the musical "Good night" was said when each and every one expressed his appreciation of the event.

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Edward W. Cosby, colored, is telegraph editor of the Buffalo, (N. Y.) Evening Times.

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The national convention of the Personal Liberty League was in session at Philadelphia, June 19-20.

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The Colored State Teachers Association will convene at Sherman, Texas, June 27. Prof. Gross is president of the organization.

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Clark Hampton, the wonderful young colored artist, has placed a life size picture, "The Pointers," on exhibition in the circuit court room at Cincinnati.

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Paul Lawrence Dunbar's new book "The Strength of Gideon and Other Stories" is highly commended by literary critics in general. William Dean Howell speaks in praiseworthy terms.

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The first colored school south of Mason and Dixon's line was organized May 20, 1865, in Lexington, Ky. It was established in the same building over which Captain John Morgan hoisted the first Confederate flag in Kentucky.

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The building which has been contemplated by the G. U. O. O. F. lodges of Chicago is to become a reality in the near future. The structure will be the stories high, having a frontage of fifty five feet and a depth of 160. The ground was purchased a year ago and the money to erect the building is in the front, one each side of the main entrance leading to the auditorium. This hall will seat 2 000 people. The corner stone laying ceremonies were held May 1. The building will be completed in October at a cost of $40,000.

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Booker T. Washington has been asked to deliver the annual address before the Harvard Dental Association at its meeting, Youngs Hotel, Boston June 25. This is one of the most famous organizations of New England.

Beverly Clark of Des Moines, Iowa, who was one of the East Side High School men to represent his school in the State Field meet at Council Bluffs, a few days ago, won 1st place in high jump and second in hammer put. He also won first on hurdle, but was ruled out on error.

Mr. Julius N. Avendorph was recently elected by acclamation Vice President of the City Amateur Base Bell Association at Chicago, which is composed of a membership of three hundred and fifty members all white, with the exception of Mr. Peters of the Chicago Unions and Mr. Avendorph of the Columbia Giants.

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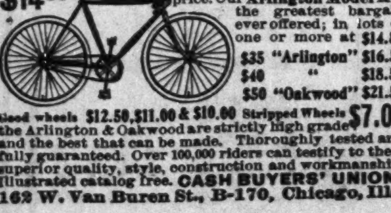

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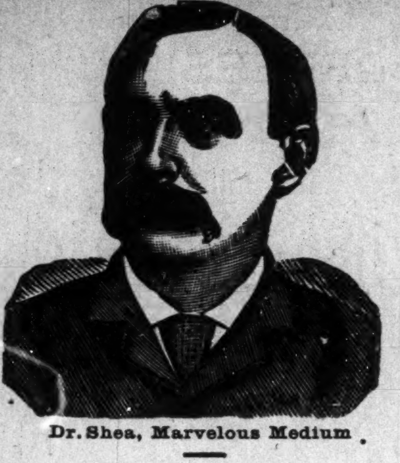

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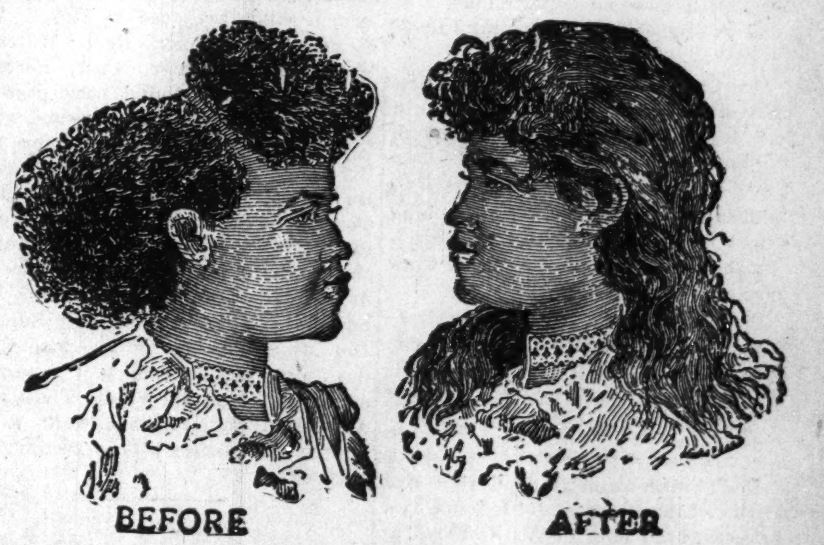

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The amount raised in Bethel's recent rally stands now at $2,100.

Charles Bass the well known politician was in Ft. Wayne, Ind., Sunday.

Rev. Chas. Jones, of Evansville, is spending a few days in the city the guest of his family.

Miss Lucy Bolan, of Louisville, is visiting here sister's family, Mrs. William Lonas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fishback, of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting Miss Thornton 521 Bowman street.

Mrs. N B. Jones, of Greenfield, was entertained by Mrs. Nannie Dixon several days last week.

Mrs. Ella Causby of Martindale avenue, is visiting in Louisvlile, New Albany and Jeffersonville.

Miss Viola Jones, after spending a few days as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Jones, returned to Cincinnati, Sunday.

The Rose of Sharon Levites Guards No. 15 will give an entertainment at Walters Chapel Tuesday evening July 3.

Mr. Charles Baughman of the pest office and A. E, Manning of the World left Monday for an extend trip through the East.

Milton Benson who has been teaching school at Mt. Vernon, Ill., was in the city this week. He is doing special work on the Mt. Vernon News.

Mr. Jesse C. Stubbs, of Chicago, who is the guest of Miss Hattye L. Taylor is quite ill at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Henderson in California street.

D. E. Smith formerly of Corbin and Porter's barber shop at 344 Indiana-Ave. has leased the shop of W. F. Floyd at 224 Indiana avenue where he will be pleased to meet all of his friends.

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Mrs. Mollie McCown of N. Western avenue gave an elaborate spread in honor of Mrs. Maggie Jackson of St. Paul, Minn., June 15. Several invited friends were present and an enjoyable time was spent.

The members of the Friday night dancing class will give their outing at Hammond's park next Friday. The festivities will begin at 2 o'clock p. m., and a continuous round of enjoyment will be the intent of all.

Mr. B. R. Penn and his brother returned last Friday from Memphis, Tenn, where they were called to attend the funeral of their brother, Mr. James Penn, was killed in a railroad accident on the Illinois Central on which road he had been a fireman for several years. He leaves a wife and one child.

Chas. S. Sager has been engaged by tae Webber-Doak & Burton Co., to manage a new play. Mr Sager will be remembered as the producer of the Negro" a melo-dramatic production with considerable merit. He will secure the services of the best Negro performers in the country. The firm has been exceedingly fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Sager. He is thoroughly equipped for the business.

The Principal of School No. 37, J. H. Young, together with his able assistants, Mrs. Sadie E. Hill, wife of the well known attorney, J. T. V. Hill, and Mr. J. B. Bates a teacher of wide experience were most agreeably surprised by the parents on the last day of school, the refreshments, the flowers and the music were only surpassed by the beautiful spirit shown. The teachers as well as the pupils were delighted with the beautiful badges bearing the inscription, "Compliments of the Parents of School No. 37." We learned that Mrs. Hickerson was the leading spirit in the enterprise into which the others joined regardless of creeds or denomination.

A White Husband.

Frederick Wiley, white husband of Samantha Roberts, colored, who died in December, 1899, leaving $6,000 worth of property, is in Indianapolis to get his share. Wiley had not lived with his alleged wife for several years. Probate-commissioner Walker notified Wiley to file a petition, then if he can prove he was her husband, he is entitled to half. Mrs. Roberts left a fine residence an Alvord-st.

Simpson Chaple Items.

The City Union Epworth League held a meeting and social at the Centrel Ave. church last Wednesday evening. Our League had a good repre entation present. The Epworth League will send delegates to State Convention at South Bend July 12—18. The Wheel Social given at the residence of Mrs. Irene Browders 3027 N. Senate Ave. was quite a success. Presiding Elder Sissle will be at home next week after a protracted trip through the state. Remember the grand rally to-morrow. The following clubs will be represented: Capt. Roney, Rogister, Stevenson, Boyer, Hewitts, Courtney, The Sewing Circle and the "Dead-Head." All are expecting to report good collections. The afternoon sermon will be preached by Rev. S. W. Newton at 3 o'clock. Revs. Murray, Wakefield, Carpenter, Carr, Ferrell, Herrod, Morton, Bell and other pastors have been invited and are expected with their congregations. Tickets for the Big Four Union Picnic are now on sale. Do not fail to purchase the Yellow. The pastor has been making earnest efforts to visit every member of the church since arriving from Chicago. Thus far he has made more than 240 visits. We had one addition by letter last Sunday Bro. Minus Goodall. On the third Sunday July Rev. Gilliam will preach a special sermon to the aged. Those who are infirm and can not walk to the church conveyances will be secured for their aid.

A Stag Party.

Vicksburg, Miss. Special,—Mr. Jake Asher gave a stag party at the home of his parents at 210 E. Jackson st., Thursday night June 14, the occasion being his 20th birthday. The following program was part of the evening's pleasure. Guitar selection by W. J. young and Walter Hention; solo, Charles Spencer; mandolin selection, Walter Stewart; solo, Albert Christman; Geo. P. Bell made appropriate remarks for the occasion. Light refreshments were served with claret punch. Those present were Messrs. E. H. Sterling, Fred Pratt, Steve McKenzy, Walter Hention, Orange Taylor, Jr., Robert McGhee Chas. Spencer, Albert Williams, Walter Stewart, James Turner, W. J. Young, Granvell Jackson, James M. Head, John B. Jackson, Thomas Pinkston, Albert Christman, Geo. P. Bell, Anthony Taylor, Dane Jackson Clay M. Wilson, Thos. M. Buckner, Daniel Amos, Charles A. McArthur and Isham Hartsfield. Get The Preeman and keep posted on the doings and sayings of the race. Have your money ready to pay for The Freeman every Saturday morning. Pay as you go is an old adage; enough said. A very enjoyable picnic to Newman's Grove was had on last Tuesday, 12th inst. under the management and for the benefit of Vicksburg Commandery, No. 1., K. T. A most delightful time was had—not an unpleasant word has been heard of as having been uttered during the whole day among the hundreds of participants. The general impression is that it was the quietest and most thoroughly enjoyed affair which the Vicksburg public and its surroundings have enjoyed for many years. The Knights intend that it shall be an annual occurance. Delegates Wesley Crayton and W. E. Mollison accompanied by Mr. Freeman W. Wallace, of Valley Park left on the 16th, inst. to see McKinley again nominated in the city of brotherly love. Cherry and Clay st. schools have just had a most successful closing with a splendid class of girl graduates. Our colored citizens are awakening to the importance of procuring homes and a cottage here and there can be seen going up. Miss Bessie Young, one of the Belles of Vicksburg and a graduate of the Cherry st. school held the audience spell bound at Court Square, with her loud essay entitled, "The Negro's Place in America." Mrs. Emily Johnson left Monday June 11, on a visit to her daughter. She will return home in the early part of July. The Members of King Solomon Baptist church will celebrate July 4, by giving a big barbecue on the church lawn. The public is cordially invited to participate with them. The manager of the J. W. Jones brass band can now furnish the band neatly uniformed for any occasion, prices reasonable. Call and see Mr. J. W. Jones. Mr. J. E. Marshall, has returned from Alcove College, where he has been attending school, Mr. Tom Young the popular porter at the clothing store of Mr. Chas. Isaac & Co. says The Freeman is all right and it is up with the times. This statement is backed up by Mr. Young's prompt payment for The Freeman. We need more such men.

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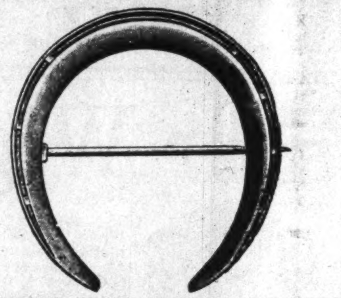

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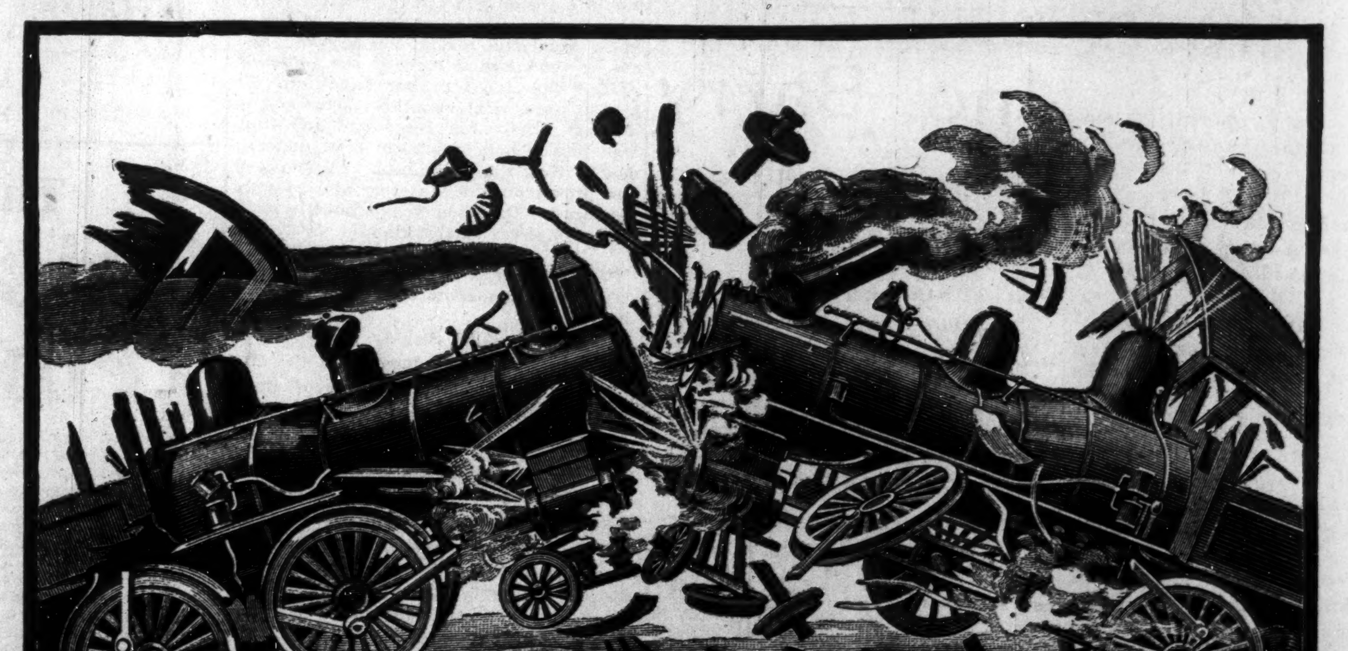

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